

Care of Seed Corn.

There is no experience in agriculture more discouraging than a failure of seed to grow. It means more than the expense and trouble of replanting; it means a backward crop which, as a rule, proves inferior if not a failure.

Every year thousands of farmers realize, for lack of good seed corn, dearly bought experience. Their corn crops fail to be remunerative because they neglected the previous autumn to select good seed and properly cure it.

In order to have seed that will certainly germinate and grow it must be harvested previous to freezing weather and immediately dried. After the cob has become thoroughly dry it is an easy matter to save the seed. At the South, where the seasons are long, this matter of drying the corn is often taken care of by nature, but in the Eastern and Northern States the cobs, especially of the larger varieties, require to be cured by artificial means when the kernels are designed for seed.

Corn that appears to be thoroughly dried in the field, in nine cases out of ten contains enough moisture to render the kernels defective for seed, unless cured artificially. The old-fashioned way of saving seed corn is still practiced in many localities, and considered the best mode by many progressive farmers. This consists in selecting desirable ears previous to freezing weather, pulling back the husks to the butt and braiding the ears together by them in long strings. These strings of ears are then hung in some dry and well-ventilated place, as an attic or loft, until the corn is required for planting.

A Kentucky farmer who has proven to his satisfaction that if seed corn is thoroughly dried, cob included, previous to freezing weather, it is certain to germinate and grow the following season, under ordinary favorable circumstances of warmth and moisture. Every good ear for seed is laid upon a tight floor over his cook-stove, where it remains until spring, when it is shelled and kept in readiness for planting. Corn thus placed on any floor under which a fire is kept up during the fall and winter will, in his opinion, always germinate.

There is a diversity of practice in regard to the precise period when the selection of seed-corn should be made. Some cultivators gather the seed soon after the kernel is out of milk and dry it in the sun. The majority, however, prefer perfect maturity of seed, but all who have had experience in the matter realize the necessity of the thorough drying of corn before hard freezing weather.

An ear with a large cob is not considered to be as good a keeper as the one with a smaller cob, for the reason that the former contains a larger quantity of sap, hence is liable to retain dampness. After having sun-dried seed-corn, the farmers of some sections store it in lofts of smoke-houses in order that it may become permeated with the odor of the meat undergoing smoking there, and thus gain a protection when in the ground against the depredations of field mice, worms, etc. The argument in favor of this practice is that the corn becomes thoroughly saturated with crocote, which is offensive to many pests, especially squirrels.

For greatest improvement in seed observe the time of ripening, number of ears on a stalk, size of the stalk and the perfection of the ears. Corn which ripens earliest in the field, other things being favorable, is to be preferred, but there are exceptions to this general rule. For instance, when the object is to improve a variety that is very early a different course is advised. The very earliest ears often are not so large as those that come later, and by selecting these later ones for a few seasons the size of the corn is improved. On the other hand, if only the earliest ears are chosen a very early variety is gained, but it is liable to be inferior in size.

Another rule usually observed is selecting from stalks that have two or three well-developed ears, selecting the ear which grows low on the stalk. Of late years, occasional objections have been made to this practice, on the plea that the ears are liable to decrease in size as they increase in numbers.

A full-sized ear on which the rows are regular, well filled out at the end and but little larger at the butt than in the middle, if it has ripened in good season and grows low on a moderate-sized stalk and is taken from the standing corn, is first-class for the variety to which it belongs.

In selecting seed from yellow corn the color may be changed from a dark to a light yellow by selecting a light-colored ear, or vice versa. When it is desired to retain the corn as you get it the custom is to select both colors. If the crop from which you are selecting tends too much to bran or chaff, give preference to the more flinty ears.—*N. Y. World.*

—The numerous shocking acrobatic accidents which have recently occurred in some of the southern parts of Austria have determined the authorities at Trieste to introduce into the Diet of that province a bill prohibiting the performance of all dangerous feats in public in future. The female trapezist Zao, who fell and injured herself a few nights ago at a Trieste circus, is dead. A few days before M. Amato, manager of the circus, had a terrible fall from his horse, and was lying in a dangerous condition. At Trieste, on the same day, an acrobat fell during his performance, and received probably fatal injuries.

—The Washington Monument will be finished in December, 1884. Thus far it has cost \$940,000.—*Washington Star.*

—Sick animals should be separated from healthy ones.

Tax Sale.

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, the 30th day of June, A. D., 1884, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day I shall sell at the rooms of the Village Council in Cheboygan Village, County of Cheboygan, and State of Michigan, so much of each of the following described tracts or parcels of land, situated in said Village of Cheboygan delinquent, for unpaid taxes for the year 1882, as will be sufficient to pay the taxes and charges thereon, according to the act of incorporation of said Village, and the statute in such cases made and provided, to-wit:

| Name of owner or occupant. | Description. | Village Tax. | Highway Tax. | Interest. | Total. |
|----------------------------|--|--------------|--------------|-----------|--------|
| George Adams. | A piece of land com'g at the n e corner of a piece of land formerly owned by Della Tramo, thence west 6 rods, thence south 4 rods, thence east 6 rods, north 4 rods to place of beginning, being a part of the n e 1/4 of s w 1/4, sec 22, town 38 n, r 1 w. | 38 | 20 | 14 | 72 |
| Joseph F Ames. | A piece of land com'g at the n w corner of a piece of land sold by Rob't Patterson to Albert Tebo, thence s'ly along the w side of said Tebo land, thence w'ly 4 rods, thence n'ly 16 rods, thence e'ly 4 rods to place of beginning, being a part of the n e 1/4 of n e 1/4, section 35, town 38 n, r 1 w. | 88 | 20 | 14 | 122 |
| W H Brown. | N 1/2 of lots 15 and 16, block 4, in R Patterson's 1st addition to Cheboygan village, lot 15, block 31, West Duncan. | 25 31 | 18 50 | 9 25 | 48 04 |
| Elizabeth McGurn. | " 11 " 27 " " " " | 2 25 | 1 20 | 87 | 4 27 |
| Marcell Marcell. | " 1 " 27 " " " " | 2 25 | 1 20 | 82 | 4 27 |
| F Masion. | " 11 " 27 " " " " | 1 13 | 60 | 28 | 3 12 |
| George Sloan. | " 11 " 27 " " " " | 1 13 | 60 | 28 | 3 12 |
| Mather Sedan. | " 11 " 27 " " " " | 56 | 39 | 19 | 105 |
| Robert Westmore. | " 12 " 30 " " " " | 75 | 40 | 28 | 143 |
| Chas A Laughton. | " 12, 13 and 14, block 4, west Duncan | 3 76 | 2 00 | 1 36 | 7 11 |
| James McKinnis. | " 14, block 21, west Duncan | 56 | 39 | 19 | 105 |
| C Vanyer. | " 15 of lot 3, block 26, West Duncan | 3 75 | 2 00 | 1 35 | 7 11 |
| Alexander Sweeney. | Lots 14, 15, 16, 19, 20 and 21, in Cheboygan village. | 30 00 | 16 00 | 10 02 | 56 02 |
| A L Bryant. | Lots 3, 4 and 5, in Cheboygan village, n w 1/4 of sec 31, except that part taken by M C R Co. | 2 75 | 2 00 | 1 36 | 7 11 |
| W Saltonstall. | South one-third of a piece of land com'g on the subdivision line on west side of n e 1/4 of s w 1/4, sec 32, 33 n, r 1 w, at a point 10 chains and 61 links north from the s w corner thereof, running thence east 14 rods, thence north parallel to subdivision line 12 rods, thence west 14 rods to subdivision line, thence south 12 rods to place of beginning, being a part of a n e 1/4 of s w 1/4, sec 32, town 38 n, r 1 w. | 1 13 | 60 | 59 | 2 12 |
| Louis Burdette. | Ten (10) acres of land off the south and off the e 1/2 of n e 1/4, sec 32, town 38 n, r 1 w. | 1 88 | 1 00 | 68 | 3 56 |
| Adolphus Clarmont. | A piece of land com'g at the n e corner of a piece of land sold by R Patterson to D Gagan, thence s'ly parallel to said Gagan's west line 16 rods, thence w'ly 4 rods, thence n'ly 16 rods, thence e'ly 4 rods to place of beginning, being a part of n e 1/4 of s w 1/4, sec 32, town 38 n, r 1 w. | 30 | 16 | 10 | 56 |
| Smith Campbell. | A piece of land commencing at the s e corner of A Trombly's land, in lot 2 sec 30, town 38 n, r 1 w, thence n'ly 140 feet, thence e'ly 50 feet, thence s'ly 140 feet, thence w'ly 50 feet to place of beginning. | 75 | 40 | 28 | 143 |
| W Carding. | N'ly part of lot 10, block 6, in 1st addition to Cheboygan village, being 34 feet on Huron street and 99 feet deep. | 2 25 | 1 20 | 82 | 4 27 |
| Gustave Champagne. | A piece of land com'g on the 1/2 line running north and south through sec 32 at a point 16 rods south and 32 rods east and from the n w corner of n w 1/4 of s w 1/4, sec 32, thence running s'ly 10 rods, thence e'ly 16 rods, thence n'ly 16 rods, thence w'ly 16 rods to place of beginning. | 50 | 30 | 19 | 105 |
| Marshall Gerow. | A piece of land com'g at the n e corner of land owned by S Neipoth, thence south along the line of said Neipoth's land 95 feet, thence east 56 feet, thence north 95 feet, thence west 56 feet to place of beginning. | 38 | 20 | 14 | 72 |
| John Jolly. | A piece of land com'g at the n w corner of a piece of land sold by R Patterson to Jas Vee, thence s'ly along the w line of said Vee's land 16 rods, thence w'ly 4 rods, thence n'ly 16 rods, thence e'ly 4 rods to place of beginning, being a part of the n e 1/4 of sec 32, town 38 n, r 1 w. | 20 | 16 | 10 | 56 |
| Theo Jauge. | A piece of land com'g 4 rods n'ly from the n e corner of a piece of land sold by R Patterson to Jos Jolley, thence s'ly parallel to the w line of said Jolley land 16 rods, thence w'ly 8 rods, thence n'ly 16 rods, thence e'ly 8 rods to place of beginning. | 20 | 16 | 10 | 56 |
| W Jarvis. | A piece of land com'g at the n e corner of a piece of land sold by R Abbott to Adolphus Graves, January 16, 1882, thence running west 16 rods, thence south at right angles 10 rods, thence east 16 rods, thence north 10 rods to place of beginning, except a strip 2 rods wide on north side for highway purposes. | 38 | 20 | 14 | 72 |
| Paul Lancourt. | A piece of land com'g 4 rods s'ly from the n e corner of a piece of land sold by R Patterson to Jos Miller, thence s'ly parallel to said Miller's east line 16 rods, thence e'ly 4 rods, thence n'ly 16 rods, thence w'ly 4 rods to place of beginning, being part of the n e 1/4 of n e 1/4, sec 32, town 38 n, r 1 w. | 30 | 16 | 10 | 56 |
| Ed Liblow. | N 1/2 of lot 2 block 6 in McCa.S & Co's 1st addition to Cheboygan village. | 1 25 | 72 | 48 | 2 5 |
| Samuel Liehman. | A piece of land com'g at the s e corner of a piece of land conveyed by R Abbott to Adolphus Graves, Oct 31, 1881, thence w 32 rods, thence s at right angles 10 rods, thence east parallel with first line 22 rods, thence n 10 rods to place of beginning, except a strip 2 rods wide on north side for highway purposes, being a part of n e 1/4 of s w 1/4, sec 32, town 38 n, r 1 w. | 75 | 40 | 28 | 143 |
| F J Motter. | A piece of land com'g at the n w corner of lot 41 in Cheboygan village thence running w'ly on 3d st 6 rods, thence s'ly on Huron st 4 rods, thence e'ly 6 rods to s w corner of said lot 41, thence n'ly 4 rods to place of beginning. | 4 50 | 2 40 | 1 03 | 8 53 |
| Jennie McDougall. | A piece of land com'g on the n and s 1/2 line at a point 16 rods south of the n w corner of n w 1/4 of s w 1/4, sec 32, thence e parallel to e and w quarter line 16 rods, thence s'ly at right angles 10 rods, thence w'ly parallel to first line 16 rods to a and s quarter line thence north on quarter line to place of beginning, except a strip 2 rods wide off the west side for st. purposes, being in and a part of sec 32, town 38, r 1 w. | 60 | 30 | 19 | 105 |
| Michael Plaunt. | A piece of land com'g on the st. line of Makinaw 2 rods east from the intersection of town line between town 38 n, 1 and 2 west, and the water thence running south parallel to town line 10 rods, thence e 8 rods, thence north to water, thence w'ly along the water to place of beginning, being a part of sec 30, t 38 n, r 1 w. | 10 | 10 | 00 | 50 |
| Michael Plaunt. | Also com'g 2 rods east of quarter post on north line of sec 30 running north parallel to sec line 15 rods, thence 16 rods, thence south 16 rods, thence west 16 rods to place of beginning, also part of sec 30, town 38, r 1 w. | 50 | 30 | 19 | 105 |
| John Properé. | A piece of land com'g at the n w corner of a piece of land sold by R Patterson to Jos H Moore, thence s'ly along the w'ly line of said Moore's land 16 rods, thence w'ly 4 rods, thence n'ly 16 rods, thence e'ly 4 rods to place of beginning. | 30 | 16 | 10 | 56 |
| Adolphus Tebo. | A piece of land com'g 4 rods s'ly from the s e corner of land owned by J B McArthur, thence s'ly parallel to the Cheboygan and Duncan bay road 4 rods, thence s'ly 16 rods thence e'ly 4 rods, thence n'ly 16 rods to place of beginning, being a part of n e 1/4 of s w 1/4, sec 32, town 38, r 1 w. | 38 | 20 | 14 | 72 |
| S Trehana. | A piece of land com'g 8 feet w'ly from the n e corner of W Corrow's land, thence south 95 to an alley, thence w 50 feet, thence n 95 feet, thence e 60 feet to place of beginning, part of s w 1/4 of n e 1/4, sec 30, t 38 n, r 1 w. | 50 | 30 | 19 | 105 |
| A R & W P Lynn. | A piece of land com'g 16 rods w'ly from the n w corner of a lot sold by R Patterson to John W McGinn on the Cheboygan and Duncan bay road, thence s'ly at right angles to said road 16 rods, thence w'ly 30 rods, thence n'ly 16 rods to said road, thence e'ly to place of beginning, being in and a part of sec 32, t 38 n, r 1 w. | 1 50 | 80 | 64 | 3 94 |

J D Smith,

Joseph Vee,

W Parish,

A F Watson,

Louis Burdette,

Mary E Roberts,

Thos P McGinn,

Kris Pula,

Chas A Martie,

Ellen A Weed,

A McGinness,

H P Young,

Whittemore,

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Dated Cheboygan, Mich., May 14th, 1884.

J. E. CUENY,

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